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Sir:

The following is responsive to the Office Communication mailed June 18, 2003, a response to which is due on or before July 18, 2003. Amendments to the claims are shown in Appendix II.

**REMARKS**

The Examiner stated that "Claim 44 seems to be a newly amended claim however, it is indicated as an original claim." The Examiner requested amending the claims to "properly denote the claim's status."

Applicants thank the Examiner for her thorough review of the claims. Pursuant to the telephone interview on June 25, 2003 between Applicants' representative, Dr. Maha Hamdan, and Examiner Harris, this amendment complies with the Examiner's request by amending the parenthetical status of Claim 44 to denote that it is previously amended, rather than original.

Applicants respectfully request the Examiner to call the undersigned before drafting another written communication, if any.